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THIRTY-NINTH SESSION.

Washington Annual Conference Meets at Asbury A. M. E. Church.

The thirty-ninth session of the Washington annual conference began this morning at Asbury A. M. E. Church, 11th and K streets northwest, Bishop L. W. Joyce presiding. This conference embraces portions of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, a small portion of Pennsylvania and all of the District of Columbia.

Devotional exercises were led by Bishop Joyce. One hundred and sixty ministers, members of the conference, answered to roll call at the morning session. After the business of organization was disposed of, the conference was given by Rev. W. W. Clair, presiding elder of Washington district, on behalf of the ministers of the Episcopal church, and by Mr. L. L. Henson on behalf of the laity.

Rev. Ernest Lyon, D. D., of Baltimore responded at some length as the representative of the visiting preachers, and Bishop Joyce made a brief address, in which he complimented the committee in charge on the perfection of arrangements for the meetings.

Addresses were also made this morning by Dr. T. R. Neeley of New York, corresponding secretary of the conference, and by Dr. J. H. Henson, of the Epworth League, and by Dr. J. H. Henson, of the Epworth League, and by Dr. J. H. Henson, of the Epworth League.

The conference adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon, when a financial session will be held.

A visitor to the conference this morning was Rev. J. J. Deliver of Iowa, father of the Bishop of Iowa.

Incident to the conference session an Epworth League rally was held at Asbury Church last night, at which Rev. S. R. Hughes presided.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. C. L. Withrow, followed by an address of welcome to Epworthians by Mr. Lewis Monroe, Bishop of the Epworth League, and "The Young People's Christian Congress," was furnished by the League choir of Epworth church, under the direction of Mr. Esau Williams. Notwithstanding the unfavorable weather the church was crowded.

A missionary anniversary will be held tonight, when a special program will be given.

MOTION FOR NEW TRIAL.

Henry W. Bates Convicted of Perjury in Criminal Court.

Henry W. Bates was convicted last night in Criminal Court No. 2 of perjury in connection with certain papers filed with the civil service commission. Bates was placed on trial upon two indictments, one charging forgery of certain names to application papers for a position in the bureau of engraving and printing and a plate printer and the other charging perjury in swearing to the statements made in the application as true. Bates was appointed to a position, and the evidence showed that he filled it satisfactorily until some of his associates learned that he had not served out the required apprenticeship of his craft. This led to an investigation of his application papers, and his arrest and indictment followed.

The two charges were consolidated at the trial, but the jury in returning their verdict held the defendant guilty on the perjury charge, but not guilty on the indictment for forgery.

A motion for a new trial was made by the attorneys for Bates, and the defendant was released on \$1,000 bonds to await the court's action on the motion.

Good Templars Meet.

Minnehaha Lodge of Good Templars held a meeting Tuesday night. The program, under the direction of Lieut. H. F. Smith, was as follows: Vocal solo, Mrs. Carrie Smith; address, Rev. Burdette; Minnehaha Quartet; Mrs. Carrie Smith; Miss Nellie Smith; Mrs. J. J. Smith and Mr. R. A. Dinmore; address, Mr. L. L. Corby of Perseverance Lodge; address, Mr. B. M. E. Bythel of Chosen Friends Lodge, Allegheny, Pa.; remarks, Mr. Wilson. In the prize game of "Anagrams" the winners were Mrs. Carrie Smith and Mr. J. Walter Jett, Miss Grace Ford, Miss Agnes Kaiser and Miss Hobbart. The program for the next meeting for "A" side.

Benefit of the Poor.

The following subscription for the benefit of the poor has been received at The Star office: M. M. Dashiell, \$5.00. Also for Associated Charities—S. E. E. \$2.00. W. H. S. \$1.

CENTURY OF SERVICE

One Hundredth Anniversary of Baptist Church.

MEETING LAST NIGHT

ADDRESSES BY COMMISSIONER MACFARLAND AND OTHERS.

The Denomination Receives Congratulatory Greetings—Progress of the Church Reviewed.

The second week-day demonstration of the centennial celebration of the anniversary of the Baptist denomination in the District occurred last night at the First Baptist Church. It was an interdenominational meeting, in which Commissioner H. B. F. MacFarland and pastors from several city churches took part. The pulpit platform presented a pleasing appearance with its green setting of palms and plants. To the right of the platform, on a level with the choir loft, were the significant figures of the past, made from foliage, while "1902" occupied a similar position to the left of the platform.

Dr. E. B. Pollard, pastor of the First Church, presided and made a short address, in which he extended a cordial welcome to the representatives of other churches. In closing Dr. Pollard introduced Commissioner MacFarland, whom he referred to as an earnest Christian, a zealous patriot and an honorable citizen.

Commissioner MacFarland, in behalf of the District government, said: "The government of Columbia gladly pays tribute to this celebration of a century of honor. Because the state is not united with the church, it is not a church, and therefore it has nothing to do with the controversies of the church. But it is benefited by the deeds of the church, and therefore it is grateful for the successes of the church."

Century of Service.

"It seems in this commemoration a hundred years of noble, faithful and disinterested service of the community. It sees a hundred years of steady, increasing and invaluable contribution to the commonwealth. It sees thousands upon thousands of men and women, and girls, led in the way of the highest Christian citizenship. It sees more than three generations of righteous and patriotic living, which has enriched the community."

"Imagine all that the Baptist church has done in the District of Columbia, and our present possession and you learn the measure of our debt to that great denomination. That is a debt which cannot and should not be paid in money, but in the way of direct service. The church should support the state, and not the state the church. But it is a debt to be paid in honor, reverence and affection to the community."

"It is one of the glories of our voluntary system that the churches are so splendidly supported by their own members that they are better off than if they were supported by the state, and are so well able to discharge their obligations to the state, and to the community, and to the church itself. It is one of the glories of our voluntary system that the churches are so splendidly supported by their own members that they are better off than if they were supported by the state, and are so well able to discharge their obligations to the state, and to the community, and to the church itself."

"And with our thanksgiving we can mingle rejoicing that the tree which has yielded such abundant and wholesome fruit is larger and stronger than ever, and shows promise of greater and better results in the future."

Extends Congratulations.

Dr. J. G. Butler, the veteran pastor of Luther Place Memorial Church, was next introduced and he extended his congratulations to the Baptist people. He said he did not believe the time would ever come when all people would be enrolled in a universal church. The difference between the religions of the world is not in the number of people who are enrolled, but in the quality of the religion which they profess. He said, however, that interdenominational cooperation is the only way in which the world can be brought to the kingdom of God.

Dr. Butler said he was glad for the spirit of unity existing among the churches of the city. He believed Washington is not only the best governed city, but the most religious city in the world, and that the highest types of religious life can be found here.

Other Addresses.

After Dr. Butler's remarks a beautiful service was sung by Miss Eleanor Simonds.

Dr. J. M. Schick of the Grace Reformed Church was next introduced by the chairman, with complimentary remarks. Dr. Schick congratulated the Baptist people on the good they had accomplished here and on their healthy condition after one hundred years of existence. He hoped for their continued growth and increase. Dr. Schick did not believe God had blundered in permitting the organization of different denominations.

Dr. T. J. Hamlin of the Church of the Covenant extended congratulations to the Baptist people. He said he believed God ought to be charged with the denominations formed on petty differences, involving no principle. A firmly held belief is the only basis for a union when all Christian people will be united as one. He referred to conditions in churches and nations which have led to the present state of affairs. He said he had experienced thirty years ago, and mentioned as an instance the visit of Prince Henry to this country. He said that the world is coming together on things on which they agree and are refusing to contend on matters in which they differ.

The congratulations of the Convention were brought by Dr. S. M. Newman of the First Church. He believes, he said, that there are many non-essential differences which form a gulf between the denominations, and these differences, he said, must be closed up before Christian people can accomplish their purpose. He said that the past one hundred years of the Baptist Church in the District to the period of soil cultivation and seed sowing, and expressed the hope that the next hundred years will witness a great harvest for that denomination.

Dr. F. D. Power of the Vermont Avenue Church expressed the hope that the denominations will continue to grow into more friendly relations and become one. He said that the Baptist and Disciples more to unite and that it wouldn't take much to push down the barrier between the two churches.

Merrill E. Gates paid a glowing tribute to the Baptist Church for the great work it has done in the interests of Christianity.

Mackay-Smith of St. John's Episcopal and Dr. Frank M. Bristol of Metropolitan M. E. Church were unable to attend, and Mr. Pollard referred to their absence with regret.

Concluding Remarks.

Dr. Samuel H. Greene, in the concluding address, presented greetings from Calvary Baptist Church to the "Mother Church," and spoke feelingly of the relations existing in the home family and church. He said he felt gratified that representatives of other households of faith came to bring such hearty congratulations and well wishes, and he thanked the visiting pastors for their words of good cheer, which he felt were as cordial and hearty as his own.

The meeting closed with singing by the congregation and benediction by Dr. S. S. Laws, a retired Presbyterian minister of the city.

The Queens Chapel road is indicated as an abandoned highway on the permanent system of highways. It being the intention to discontinue its use as a highway as soon as streets laid out on the permanent system plan could be opened in such location and direction as practically to offer all facilities of travel for vehicles spent upon its improvement. I believe that such action carries out the intent of the highway act and the wish of the Commissioners, as indicated in the second section of the act.

The Massachusetts house adopted an order inviting Gen. Fitzhugh Lee to attend the session of the house next Friday.

MODELS TO BE SHOWN

ARRANGEMENTS AT THE CORCORAN ART GALLERY.

Coming Competition for the Proposed Statues of Grant and McClellan.

Arrangements have been made for the public exhibition in the Corcoran Art Gallery of all the models to be entered in competition for the proposed statues of General Grant and General McClellan. All the models of the Grant statue must be in position by the first of April, and the selection of the one to be adopted will devolve upon a commission consisting of General Dodge, president of the Society of the Army of the Tennessee; Senator Wetmore, chairman of joint committee on the library, and Mr. B. Secretary of War.

The cost of the Grant statue or memorial is limited to \$250,000, and thirty-six American artists have entered the competition for its construction. The commission will select from all the models submitted six which it considers the most meritorious, and will pay to each of the six artists submitting these models the sum of \$1,000. The final selection will be made from the chosen models by the commission, and the public, however, until all are in position on the first proximo.

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FIGHTING AT SAMAR

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UNDER FIRE FOR DAYS

THE ENEMY FLED, HOWEVER, WHEN PURSUED.

Troops Encountered Difficulties in Making a Landing—Many Stores Were Lost.

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GUINAN, Samar, P. I., January 10, 1902. We left Malibog, Leyte, P. I., for this notorious island January 2. As I wrote in the last issue, the insurgents of Leyte signified their intention of surrendering to our command, but before the negotiations were completed we were ordered away. It required two trips of the small steamer to take us to Samar. The first detachment received such a heavy fire from the enemy at the mouth of the Quinapund river, our destination, that they were unable to make a landing, and the gunboat Isla de Luzon, one of Admiral Dewey's victims at Cavite, was sent to assist. The surrounding hills were shelled and Col's automatic guns placed on the small boats and a landing was made.

The insurgents had trenches on the surrounding bluffs, and they kept up a scattering fire. A small detachment was sent to capture the commanding position. They met no resistance for the first six trenches, but on emerging into an open valley were fired into, and it was a miracle that all of them were not killed. One corporal was killed, one private wounded in the leg by a revolver bullet and Private Linberger, Company I, 11th Infantry, was badly wounded in the leg. The fire was returned and a rush made, but the enemy had fled. They kept up a scattering fire for the seven days of the landing, but without inflicting any of our men.

Insurgents Kept Up Firing. The second expedition arrived on January 3, with all the stores, during the unloading of which the insurgents kept up a harassing fire, compelling the men to abandon the boats to protect the camp. The rain was coming down in torrents, completely ruining all the stores not put up in tents. The water was shallow and the lighters could not get closer than about 200 feet, where they were unloaded by enlisted men, who were compelled to wade in water up to their shoulders. The boats were crowded with barrels weighing several hundred pounds, so you can imagine the task.

Twenty marines were sent to our assistance with a Colt's rapid-fire gun. They were welcome, as one of those guns is a handy thing to have around. When in active operation the report resembles a bunch of large firecrackers. The principal gunner told me he went through the Cuban and Chinese campaigns with the same gun, but that he thought as much of it as he did of a new relative.

These marines came from Balangiga, the ill-fated town where Company C, 9th Infantry, was slaughtered last September. The sergeant in charge told me that they killed everything on their "hikes," man, woman, child and beast, and that is the custom all over this island. It is a cruel war here, but they say that is the only way to settle it.

Guns and Ammunition Taken. Balangiga was only a few miles from our camp, and the rifles and ammunition used on us no doubt were taken during the massacre. Over 150 rifles and 60,000 rounds of ammunition have been taken from our army within the past year by the insurgents on this island and not one recaptured. They are fearless fighters here. They do not run like they do on the other islands.

During the seven days we were in camp it stormed unmercifully and dark nights the entire camp was on the alert for bolo men, as the high school girls here are called, to come and take the examination of the Normal School unless they are eighteen years old or on before September 15 following the completion of their four years' course in the High School. I know of a case where a prospective graduate who does not perhaps shine as the brightest light in her class, but whose eighteenth birthday occurs September 15, is eligible for the Normal School examination, and that is good. I know of another case where the girl